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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator The Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Docket Number 2006-50-WS

RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2006, CORRESPONDENCE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF ("ORS").

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please reference the September 15, 2006, correspondence of ORS' Attorney addressed to your attention, and relevant to the above referenced matter.

Our September 14, 2006, e-mail, which is referred to in ORS' correspondence, referenced our statements, "...we filed a Petition on September 6, 2006," and, "We respectfully request that our Petition be placed on the Commission's Hearing Agenda on Wednesday, September 20, 2006, for a decision."

The references in our e-mail of September 6, 2006, are to **our Petition** and the language therein of, "**our Petition**", clearly refers to the only Petition that William F. Austin and Richard L. Whitt have filed in this Docket. Our Petition was styled as, "Petition to Substitute Counsel and Hold Proceeding in Abeyance" and we have no Petition pending for a decision on the merits.

Therefore, **our Petition** did not request a decision on the merits, but requested a decision on the limited relief sought in **our Petition**. I hope this clarifies our position in this manner.

Respectfully Submitted,

/S/ William F. Austin Richard L. Whitt Attorneys for Goat Island Water and Sewer Company, Inc.

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